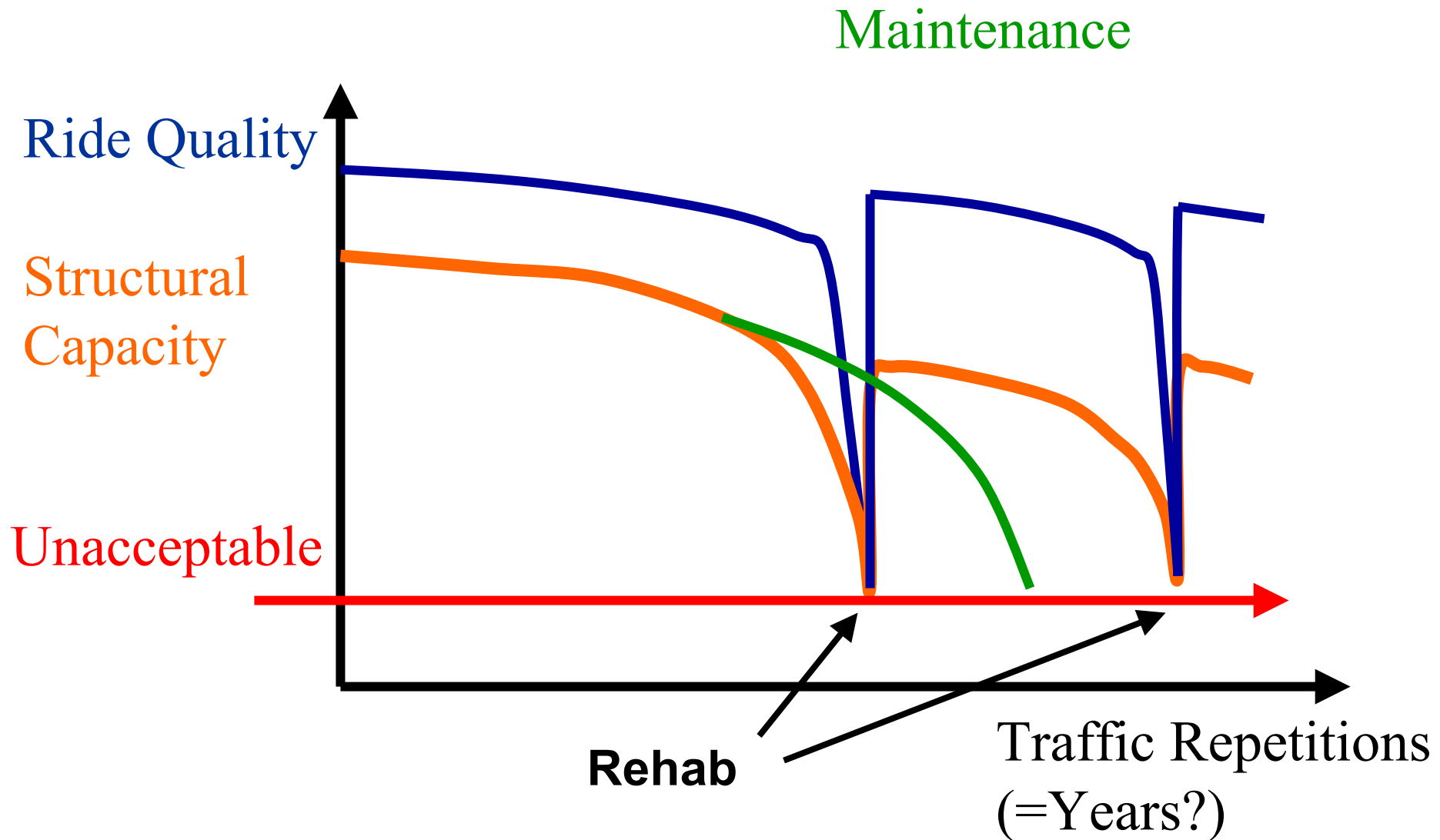


# **Life Cycle Cost Analysis**

## **Review and Examples**

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# Pavement Performance (Life) Curve



# **Generic LCCA – Input**

**Initial Traffic and Traffic Growth Rate**

**Performance Curve – use local service life information**

**Cost**

**Agency costs**

**User costs – work zone delay cost only**

**Salvage Values**

**Analysis Period**

**must be same for present value analysis**

**use equiv uniform annual cost if different**

**Discount Rate**

**use the official rate**

**Table 605.3**  
**Life-Cycle Economic Comparison of Pavement Types**  
**(Variable-Year Analysis Period and 4% Discount Rate)**

<b>ALTERNATIVE 1</b>		<b>Cost Per Kilometer With Shoulders</b>	
Initial Cost =			\$(_A_)
Rehabilitation Costs in Year ____:			
Repair Cost =		\$(_b_)	
Engineering	\$(_b_)(0.1225) =	\$(_ )	
Appurtenant and Supplemental Work	\$(_b_)(0.1350) =	\$(_ )	
Traffic Delay =		\$(_ )	
		<u>\$(_c_)</u>	
Present Worth Cost of Rehabilitation Work in Year ____	\$(_c_) (PWF) =		\$(_C_)
Rehabilitation Costs in Year ____: ****			
Repair Cost =		\$(_d_)	
Engineering	\$(_d_)(0.1225) =	\$(_ )	
Appurtenant and Supplemental Work	\$(_d_)(0.1350) =	\$(_ )	
Traffic Delay =		\$(_ )	
		<u>\$(_e_)</u>	
Present Worth Cost of Rehabilitation Work in Year ____	\$(_e_) (PWF) =		\$(_E_)
Annual/Average Maintenance over ____ years (See Index 605.3(2)(b))	\$(_*)(16.3742) =		\$(_F_)
Subtotal (A+C+E+F)			\$(_ )
Less Salvage Value (of rehabilitation)** (Variable Ratio) \$(_c_)(PWF) =			- \$(_ )
<b>C Pavement Net Present Worth Cost</b>			<u>\$(_ )</u>

**For both new pavement and rehab!**  
**Doesn't assume 20 year life**

# Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement

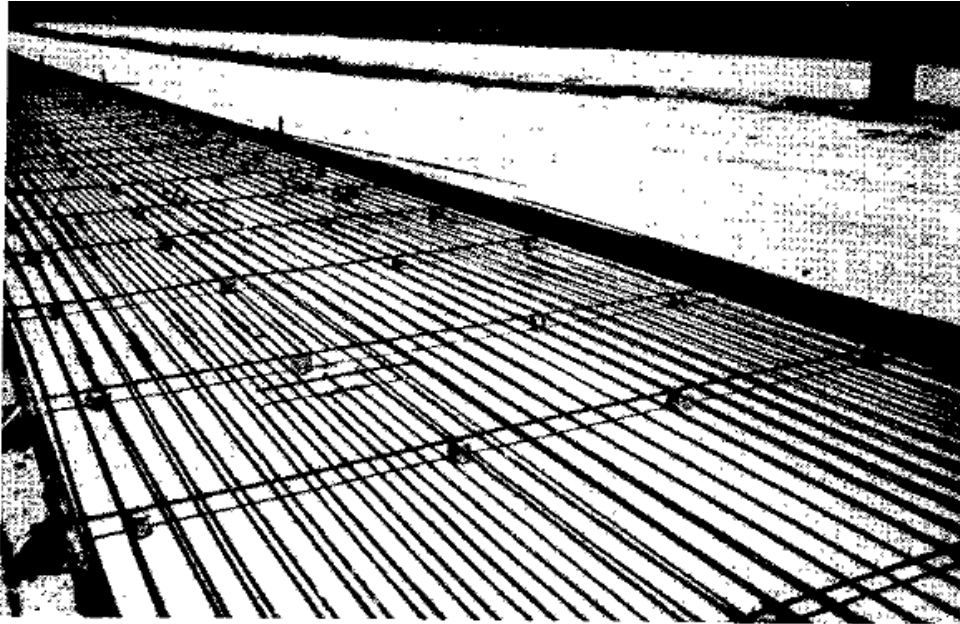


Fig. 4 Reinforcing Steel in place on base

Fairfield, CA

I-80 (old US 40)

WB, lanes 1 and 2

Test section

Service life (55 years):

initial construction 1949

repair localized problems

lane 2 grind in 1990s

**“...reinforcement to control cracking is probably not economical and cannot be justified *unless* an equivalent benefit is attained with relation to long-time riding qualities and greater durability...”**

**T. Stanton, 1951**

Post-constr. report: [www.dot.ca.gov/hq/research/researchreports/5/reports/51-05.pdf](http://www.dot.ca.gov/hq/research/researchreports/5/reports/51-05.pdf)

# **Example of Building Life Cycle Cost Diagram**

**Note: costs and performance are estimates from Oregon DOT, for example purposes only**

## **Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRC)**

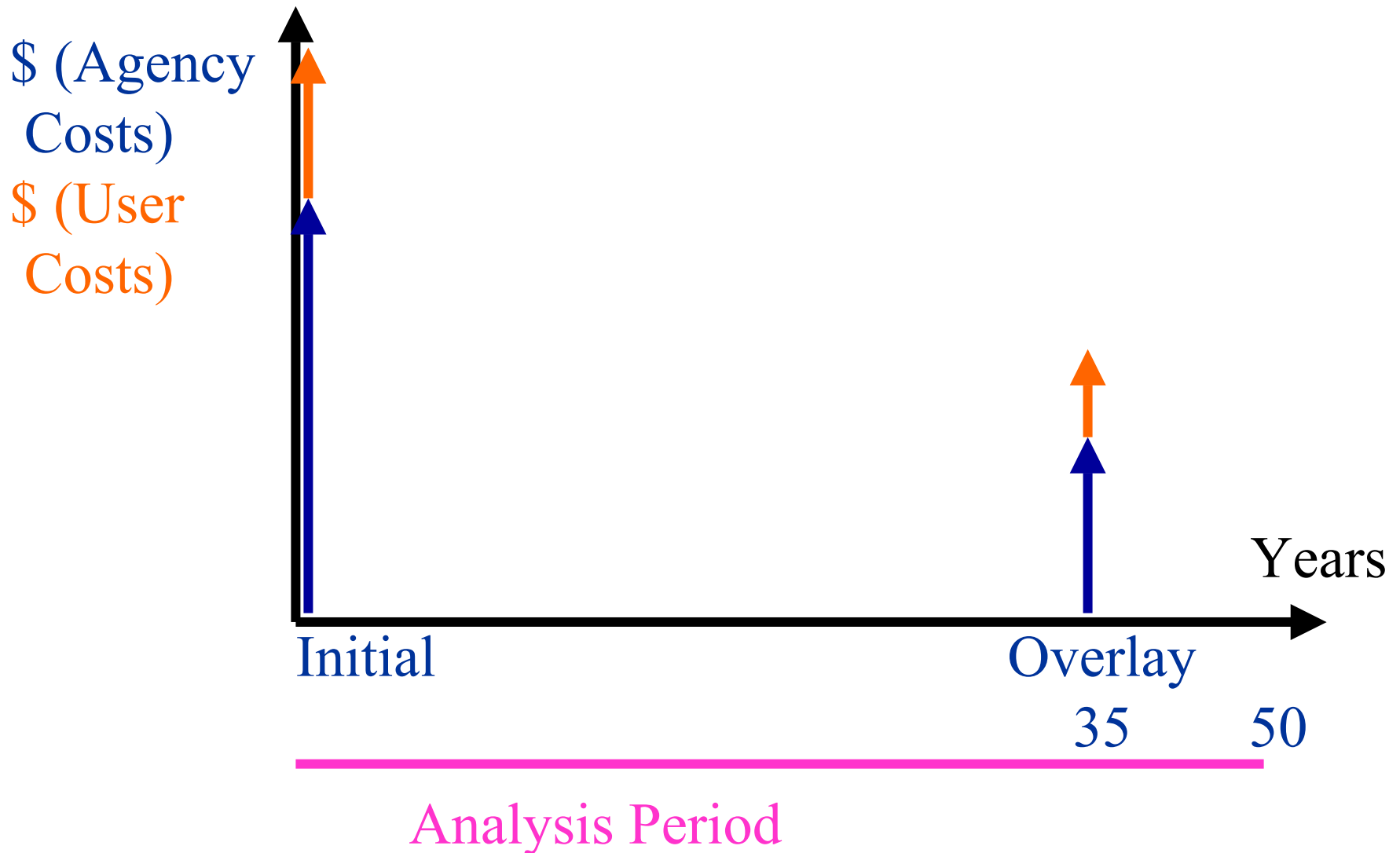
**Initial Cost about 1.25 to 1.5 x current PCCP**

**Life cycle:**

**initial construction**

**AC overlay at 35 to 55 years on major  
freeways**

# CRC Example – 35 year service life



# **Example of Building Life Cycle Cost Diagram**

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## **Continuously Reinforced Concrete Pavement (CRC)**

**Initial Cost about 1.25 to 1.5 x current PCCP**

**Life cycle:**

**initial construction**

**AC overlay at end of service life**



# What Happens if We Use Inappropriate Service Life in LCCA?

<u>Assumed Life</u>	<u>PV</u>	<u>Equiv Annual Cost</u>
20 yrs	\$ 28,123,000	\$ 1,718,000
<u>Analysis period 35 years</u>		
35 yrs	\$ 26,853,000	\$ 1,511,000
<u>Analysis period 45 years</u>		12 % less!
55 yrs	\$ 26,119,000	\$ 1,363,000
<u>Analysis period 65 years</u>		21 % less!!
<i>Had to use Equivalent Uniform Annual Cost because have different analysis periods</i>		

# **How Do We Know What the Performance Will Be?**

**Traffic and traffic growth projections**

**Climate predictions**

**Performance prediction**

# Another Example: Grind JPC vs ACOL

(estimated numbers again, 20 year analysis period)

<u>Assumed Life</u>	<u>PV</u>	<u>Equiv Annual Cost</u>
Grind lasts 15 years, then ACOL lasts 10 years		
	\$ 4,704,000	\$ 377,000
Grind lasts 8 years, then two ACOLS each 10 years		
	\$ 7,940,000	\$ 637,000
ACOL lasts 10 years, then 2nd ACOL lasts 10 years		
	\$ 10,482,000	\$ 841,000
Three ACOLs, each lasting 7 years		
	\$ 14,390,000	\$ 1,155,000

Cost Source: 2003 State of the Pavement report

Performance estimated, assume 30 In-km project

# **Pavement Strategy Selection**

**Is Life Cycle Cost the only criterion?**

**Construction constraints**

**Compatibility with existing structures**

**Performance constraints**

**Maintenance constraints**

**other constraints**

# Summary

- Use best estimate of local service lives (concrete CAN be much greater than 20 years)
- LCCA is a powerful tool for comparing alternatives for BOTH new construction and rehab
- If comparing short lives with long lives, use Equivalent Uniform Annual Cost, not Present Value

**Thank You**

# Present Value Equations

**Single cost**

$$P = F * [1/(1 + i)^n]$$

**distributed cost**

$$P = A * \{[(1+i)^n - 1] / [i(1+i)^n]\}$$

# Equivalent Uniform Annual Cost

$$A = P \{ i [ 1 + i ]^n \} / \{ [ ( 1 + i )^n - 1 ] \}$$